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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
Satoshi YASHIRO et al.)	Examiner: Duy M. Dang
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Application No.: 10/618,050)	Group Art Unit: 2624
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Filed: July 14, 2003)	Confirmation No.: 6914
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For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS)	
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION
AND
STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 27, 2007, Applicants respectfully
request that the above-identified application be amended as follows: